CLAIMS

 A polymer electrolyte composite membrane comprising a porous base material having fine pores which is fill with a polymer electrolyte comprising a hydrophobic moiety and a hydrophilic moiety,

wherein each phase of the hydrophobic and a hydrophilic moieties of the polymer electrolyte satisfy the following formula (1)

$$a+b \leq d$$
 (1)

(wherein a represents the size (nm) of a hydrophobic domain, b represents the size (nm)of a hydrophilic domain, and d represents the average pore diameter (nm) of fine pores of the porous base material).

- 2. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim
- 1, wherein the formula (1) is $a+b \le d/2$.
- 3. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim
- 1, wherein a value of a+b is equal to or more than 3 nanometers.
- 4. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim
- 1, wherein a value of a+b is equal to or more than 10 nanometers.
- 5. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim

- 1 or 3, wherein a value of a+b is equal to or less than 200 nanometers.
- 6. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim 1 or 4, wherein a value of a+b is equal to or less than 100 nanometers.
- 7. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim
- 7, wherein a hydrophilic repeating unit has an ion-exchange group.
- 8. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim
- 8, wherein an ion-exchange group is cation-exchange group or anion-exchange group.
- 9. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim
- 9, wherein a cation-exchange group is at least one selected from a group consisting of -SO₃H, -COOH, -PO(OH)₂, -POH(OH), -Ph(OH) (Ph represents a phenyl group).
- 10. The polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim 9, wherein an anion-exchange group is at least one selected from a group consisting of $-NH_2$, -NHR, -NRR', $-NRR'R''^+$ $-NH_3^+$ (R represents an alkyl group, cycloalkyl group, aryl group, etc.).
- 11. A polymer electrolyte composite membrane having a continuous phase-separated structure in which a hydrophobic moiety and a

hydrophilic moiety of polymer electrolyte are parallel to a membrane thickness direction.

12. Method for manufacturing a polymer electrolyte membrane by compositing a porous base material and a polymer electrolyte comprising a hydrophobic moiety and a hydrophilic moiety, and each phase of the hydrophobic and the hydrophilic moieties of the polymer electrolyte satisfy the following formula (1)

$$a+b \leq d$$
 (1)

(wherein a represents the size (nanometer) of a hydrophobic domain, b represents the size (nanometer) of a hydrophilic domain, and d represents the average pore diameter (nanometer) of fine pores of the porous base material).

- 13. The method for manufacturing a polymer electrolyte membrane according to claim 13, wherein the method comprising of dissolving a polymer electrolyte in solvent, impregnating a porous base material with the solution, taking out the porous base material, drying solvent, and then compositing the porous base material and the polymer electrolyte.
- 14. The method for manufacturing a polymer electrolyte membrane according to claim 13, wherein the method comprising of dissolving a polymer electrolyte in solvent, applying the solution on a porous base material, drying solvent, and then compositing the porous base

material and the polymer electrolyte.

- 15. The method for manufacturing a polymer electrolyte membrane according to claim 13, wherein the method comprising of dissolving a polymer electrolyte in solvent, contacting a porous base material with the solution under reduced pressure, then returning the pressure to a normal pressure, drying solvent, and then compositing the porous base material and the polymer electrolyte.
- 16. A fuel cell comprising the polymer electrolyte composite membrane according to claim 1.